

June 25, 2012

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Telecommunications Access Policy Division
Wireline Competition Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Request for Additional Information – Allband Petition for Waiver of Part 54.302 and Framework to Limit Reimbursable Capital and Operating Costs

Dear Ms. Bender:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit the following analysis and data in response to your email dated June 15, 2012 (**Attachment 1**). I have responded to your inquiry in the order it was submitted. Please note that several of our answers are supplanted with Attachments.

1. Audited financial statements for 2011.

Please see **Attachment 2**.

2. More details on corporate operations expenses and the growth of company (copies of any materials provided to RUS regarding expenditures).

Allband's corporate operating expenses consist of (a) expense allocated to executive payroll (b) accounting expense (both internally and externally, i.e. auditing expense (c) cost study expense (d) legal expense (e) insurance expense and (f) general & admin expense.

Operating expenses totaling approximately \$430K in 2009, up from \$230K in 2008 were due to several factors which included, new outside plant and office staff (the cooperative was previously run by two people), administrative office leasing and expenses, marketing efforts to increase subscribership, legal expenses due to unfounded legal challenges from an ex-board member which led to a thorough analysis of the Cooperative's Board and Management general policies, higher cost study expenses and legal expenses related to regulatory waivers.

Operating expenses decreased in 2010 to \$378K due to a reduction in legal expenses and improved operating efficiencies.

Operating expenses again increased in 2011 to approximately \$415K due primarily to higher than anticipated legal and consulting fees to due to USF regulatory reform and inquiries.

3. More details on accounts payable (who are these payable to).

Please see **Attachment 3** for an itemized list of payables, which ties to Allband's 2009, 2010 and 2011 audited financials. Please note that a payable was accrued by the auditor for Allband's NECA 2011 true-up in its 12-31-2010 audit which is not included in the 12-31-2010 payables in Attachment 3.

4. More details on materials and supplies on hand, i.e. inventory list summarized by types of materials and supplies (year end 2011 or current, whichever is easier), dollar amount of fiber in service, and RUS requirements regarding spares.

Please see **Attachment 4** for year-end 2011 inventory as submitted for Allband's 2011 audited financials. As of year-end 2011, Allband had \$203,088.81 worth of materials and supplies. Allband maintains a network equipment inventory at its central office totaling \$75,362.55 and retained \$48,921.11 in fiber optic cable.

Per RUS rules, borrowers must maintain a set of spare network cards to ensure network redundancy and prompt equipment failure recovery. More specifically, spares are kept on hand for Allband's soft switch and optical line terminal equipment.

Per our 2011 Audit (**Attachment 2**), page 10, number 2, Allband showed \$5,648,749 on its books for fiber optic cable assets in service.

5. Copies of loan agreements with

Please see **Attachment 5**.

Summarize in ex parte what was discussed and provide more details as indicated:

6. The details regarding the ownership of the one building which is used as a central office/storage space and the leasing of the second building which is used for administrative space and that Allband leases the building and equipment to install fiber (vehicles, backhoe, ploughs) from Northeast Michigan.

At the end of 2008, Allband management began assessing the operational autonomy of the cooperative. The cooperative's ability to operate efficiently and effectively during post loan years and without outside plant contractor assistance became a concern. More specifically, the cooperative needed to equip itself to handle outside plant requirements and properly staff the cooperative to maintain a high level of quality service while actively pursuing the growth of the cooperative.

Allband's RUS Loan did not allocate enough funds to purchase equipment needed for outside plant construction and maintenance. In 2009, Allband entered into a leasing relationship with and is now

equipped to handle main line fiber construction, service drops, fiber splicing and general maintenance.

Additionally, Allband quickly outgrew the ability to use its loan funded central office for administration, and in order to ensure a high level of customer service and maintain growth, Allband leased land and a larger administrative/garage facility near its central office.

Allband was fortunate that it was able to secure leases, considering that most banks and leasing companies in this financial climate would be hard-pressed to offer the same leases that Allband acquired from

were obtained to cover operating expenses, and loans are 7. Loans from expected to be paid off in next several months. Terms were negotiated between Ron and the Board. On December 31, 2007 the Allband Communications Cooperative Board of Directors approved and issued an unsecured promissory note to in operating capital. Additionally, an unsecured amendment for was added to this note to reimburse for Board of Director approved health insurance. Due to the cash flow challenges of the cooperative at the time, volunteered to pay his own insurance premiums until the cooperative could afford to start paying his premiums and then reimburse him for past payments. This repayment was added to his December 31, 2007 note in October of 2008. On August 14, 2009, the Allband Board of Directors approved a second unsecured note from _____. This note was issued for funds needed to pay 2009 annual property taxes. At that time, Allband did not have the funds required to pay the full balance of the taxation and was in the process of correcting its budget so that cash could be accrued for payment throughout the year. Because the original loan forecast did not include this high level of taxation, Allband continued to struggle with the large payable which intensified cash flow difficulties in 2009 due to a smaller than expected federal again understood the cooperative's immediate financial needs and recovery. graciously loaned another to the cooperative. again offered working capital to the cooperative for fees In January of 2010, associated with the marketing activities needed to increase the Cooperative's access lines. Allband had to quickly improve its marketing reach and hired a professional firm called CAP to survey, visit, call, write and seek out new subscribers in the Robbs Creek loaned the cooperative additional funds to pay CAP and an Exchange. was added to August 12, 2009 note. Finally, in the amendment for in travel reimbursements was added to same amendment, 12, 2009 note for a critical trip to Washington D.C. where Allband met with the FCC and RUS.

has donated much of his valuable time to Allband and still desires to see Allband continue its mission of serving the unserved. Since the cooperative was started, has remained the only member to invest money in the cooperative and has single-handily saved the cooperative from financial hardship on several occasions.

loans will be paid in full by the end of July 2012. Allband's USF amounts are not impacted by any of these loans, the payoff of the loans or the interest paid on the loans.

8. RUS provided some financing for operating expenses (confirm that's the difference between the draw on the RUS loan as of December 31, 2010, and the reported gross plant including telecommunications plant under construction).

Per Attachment #6, RUS approved in operating capital from Allband's loan to assist with start-up funds needed to operate Allband in its initial years of development. Since USF recovery is a retroactive mechanism, start-up funds were required while Allband obtained necessary USF waivers from the FCC and worked with NECA to be included in the pool. This information supports how dependent Allband was and still is, on its USF recovery. Allband stated on its audited 2010 financials \$6,894,223 in account 4210.1 (gross plant) and drew \$7,235,721 of its RUS loan, a difference of \$341,498. This difference is due to operating money received from the loan, and operating capital that was actually used for expenses related to gross plant.

9. Status of the AARA grants totaling \$9.7 million awarded as part of USDA's Broadband Initiative Program to extend broadband to customers outside of the incumbent study area (amounts disbursed to date, status of construction, number of new subscribers to date, services offered, projections for number of subscribers ultimately to be served, Allband offers non-regulated services through Allband Multimedia subsidiary and partners with CLECs for numbers).

To date, Allband has disbursed \$2,324,115.22 in grant funds. Due to environmental review delays, Allband was not able to start major construction on its larger grant until 2012 and has been constructing new plant for approximately 2 months. Allband has completed construction of its smaller grant in the community of Mikado, where 65 broadband subscribers are currently served. By the end of the 2014, Allband expects to have approximately 800-900 unregulated broadband subscribers outside of its Robbs Creek exchange. Allband will offer three tiers of high-speed Internet and a telephone VoIP alternative. In order to provide telephone service, Allband has partnered with a Michigan CLEC who will be providing numbering at a wholesale rate. These services are offered through Allband Multimedia, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Cooperative.

Please note that Allband carefully forecasted the financial viability of its ARRA project upon applying for the grant. The new non-regulated plant was designed with separation

in mind, meaning that there is no overlap in regulated and non-regulated plant and equipment.

The pro-forma submitted to RUS with the grant application was contingent upon maintaining current levels of USF support, with Allband Multimedia revenues earmarked for non-regulated business activity and further expansion into areas that still do no have access to broadband service. Therefore, revenue generated by the ARRA expansion cannot be reallocated to subsidize a loss of USF funding, as it would cause Allband's ARRA project to ultimately fail. Currently, Allband is operating at a loss with Allband Multimedia and expects to until 2014 when most new subscribers will be activated upon the conclusion of grant construction. A newly updated forecast **Attachment 7** has been included to demonstrate losses in 2012 and 2013. Per the forecast, Allband will not incur enough unregulated revenue to support both its regulated and non-regulated activities through 2013.

10. Details on the \$9.99/month plan for customers that only require 911 access and the ability to receive incoming calls (number of subscribers, limits on how long customers can stay on this plan, customers can drop to this plan from other plans at no charge, tariffed charges to connect/disconnect new service).

Allband's exchange is a mix of full-time residents and seasonal customers. In an effort to provide 911 to all residents, increase access lines and increase revenue, a seasonal option was developed for \$9.99 per month at the inception of the Cooperative. This plan limited customers to strictly 911 service and did not include the ability to make and receive phone calls other than outgoing 911 calls. The seasonal plan was limited to 6 months annually and a transition fee was not charged. Please note that Allband, as a cooperative, required all of its members to subscribe to basic telephone in order to receive high-speed Internet.

Recently, Allband revised its plans, by adding a limited service and is as follows:

Standard Service: \$19.90 per month includes calling features such as voicemail, call waiting, caller ID and unlimited local calls.

Basic Service: \$10.00 per month, includes the ability to make and receive calls, long distance rates apply on a per minute basis, unlimited local calling, no calling features. Unlimited long distance packages cannot be paired with this plan. To date, Allband has 9 subscribers on this plan.

911 Service: \$6.99 per month, no outgoing calls other than 911, no incoming calls. To date, Allband has 22 subscribers on this plan. A six-month limitation still applies to this plan.

Subscribers are allowed to change their plan 4 times per year in consideration of Labor Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July and deer season. Additional plan change requests incur a tariffed charge of \$35 per change, which is Allband's standard disconnect/reconnect fee.

If you require further clarification or have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Ron K. Siegel

General Manager

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Allband Questions

Additional information:

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ALLBAND COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE AND SUBSIDIARY (A Michigan Mutual Company)

CURRAN, MICHIGAN

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

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March 14, 2012

To the Board of Directors Allband Communications Cooperative 7251 Cemetery Road Curran, Michigan 48728

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of ALLBAND COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE AND ITS WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY (A Michigan Mutual Company) as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related statements of operations, changes in members' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of Allband Communications Cooperative's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Allband Communications Cooperative and its wholly owned subsidiary at December 31, 2011, the results of its consolidated operations, and its cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Allband Communications Cooperative March 14, 2012

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole. The supplementary information on pages 13 through 23 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the consolidated financial statements as a whole.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated March 14, 2012, on our consideration of Allband Communications Cooperative's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Respectfully submitted,

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ALLBAND COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE AND SUBSIDIARY (A Michigan Mutual Company) CURRAN, MICHIGAN

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

ASSETS

	2011	2010
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 191,750	\$ 130,890
Accounts receivable - telecommunications	359,947	139,483
Materials and supplies	203,088	288,548
Loan origination fees - current	2,750	2,750
Prepayments	4,419	4,815
Total current assets	761,954	566,486
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NONCURRENT ASSETS:		
Deferred loan costs	36,437	39,187
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PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:		
Telecommunications plant in service	6,904,391	6,657,254
Telecommunications plant under	• •	, ,
construction	2,290,862	236,969
	9,195,253	6,894,223
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	1,330,978	984,868
Net book value	7,864,275	5,909,355
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Total assets	\$ 8,662,666	\$ 6,515,028

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

		2011		2010
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	•		•	
Accounts payable	\$	813,444	\$	597,934
Accounts payable - related party		60,212		60,212
Current portion - RUS debt		311,862		260,000
Current portion - John Reigle debt		151,008		26,760
Accrued income taxes		22,000		0
Accrued taxes		10,472		<u>5,614</u>
Total current liabilities		1,368,998		950,520
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:				
Deferred grant revenue		1,702,743		0
LONG-TERM DEBT - less current portion:				
RUS mortgage notes		6,355,497		6,426,567
John Reigle note payable		0		53,954
Total long-term liabilities		6,355,497		6,480,521
TOTAL LIABILITIES		9,427,238		7,431,041
MEMBERS' EQUITY:				
Memberships issued		3,080		2,980
Non-Patronage capital (deficit)		3,916		_,000
Patronage capital (deficit)		(771,568)		(918,993)
Total members' equity (deficit)		(764,572)		(916,013)
Total liabilities and				
members' equity	\$	8,662,666	\$	6,515,028

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

	2011	2010
OPERATING REVENUES: Basic local network services Network access services Long distance Internet revenue Miscellaneous Total operating revenues	\$ 38,532 1,576,460 32,971 26,519 29,052 1,703,534	\$ 36,617 1,331,465 22,907 28,394 3,447 1,422,830
OPERATING EXPENSES: Plant specific operations Plant nonspecific operations Depreciation and amortization Customer operations Corporate operations Total operating expenses	242,152 141,826 369,079 21,704 415,186 1,189,947	164,314 72,348 337,106 7,252 378,467 959,487
GROSS OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	513,587	463,343
OPERATING TAXES: Other operating taxes	103,976	70,249
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	409,611	393,094
NONOPERATING INCOME (DEDUCTIONS): Interest income Interest expense - RUS Interest expense - other Construction contract income Federal income taxes Other income (expense) Total nonoperating income (deductions)	59 (336,917) (9,214) 105,885 (22,000) 3,917 (258,270)	48 (307,391) (15,029) 0 0 1,773 (320,599)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 151,341	\$ 72,495

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

	M <u>EM</u>	<u>BERSHIP</u>	(TRONAGE CAPITAL DEFICIT)	P:	NON- ATRONAGE CAPITAL (DEFICIT)	 TOTAL
BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2010	\$	2,520	\$	(991,488)	\$	0	\$ (988,968)
Memberships - net		460					460
Net income (loss)				72,495			 72,495
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2010	_\$_	2,980	_\$_	(918,993)	\$	0_	\$ (916,013)
Memberships - net	\$	100	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 100
Net income (loss)				147,425		3,916	151,341
BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2011	<u>\$</u>	3,080	<u>\$</u>	(771,568)	<u>\$</u>	3,916	\$ (764,572)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

		2011		2010
OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss)	\$	151,341	\$	72,495
to net cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation Amortization Changes in operating assets and liabilities: (Increase) Decrease in:	2	366,329 2,750		334,356 2,750
Accounts receivable Inventories Other current assets Increase (Decrease) in:		(220,464) 85,460 396		(119,370) 41,549 2,447
Accounts payable Accounts payable - NECA Accrued income taxes Accrued taxes		215,510 0 22,000 4,858		(290,037) (27,035) 0 1,896
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES		628,180		19,051
INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Purchase of property, plant, and equipment Proceeds from sale of equipment		(2,325,049) 3,800		(494,165) 0
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(2,321,249)		(494,165)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Increase in memberships Proceeds from borrowings on long-term debt - RUS Proceeds from grant Principal payments on long-term debt		100 360,929 1,702,743 (309,843)		460 798,229 0 (276,222)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		1,753,929		522,467
(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		60,860		47,353
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING		130,890		83,537
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - ENDING	\$	191,750	\$	130,890
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES: Interest paid (\$0 and \$14,250 capitalized respectively) Income taxes paid	\$ \$	346,131 0	\$ \$	336,670 0

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The Allband Communications Cooperative and subsidiary (herein referred to as "the Cooperative") provides telecommunication services to member subscribers in the northeast portion of the lower peninsula of Michigan.

The accounting records of the Cooperative are maintained in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Class A and B Telephone Companies prescribed by the Public Service Commission of Michigan, which conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP).

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Cooperative and its wholly owned subsidiary, Allband Multimedia, LLC. All material intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated in consolidation.

Subsequent Events -

Management has evaluated subsequent events through March 14, 2012, the date the financial statements were available for issue.

Income Tax Status -

The Cooperative operates as a Section 501(c)(12) Corporation as defined by the Internal Revenue Code. The Cooperative files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction. The statute of limitations is generally three years for federal returns.

Concentrations of Credit Risk -

The Cooperative grants credit to member subscribers, substantially all of whom are located in the Curran, Michigan area. The Cooperative will also grant credit to connecting toll companies located throughout the United States.

The Cooperative received 93% of its 2011 revenues from access revenues and assistance provided by the Federal Universal Services Fund. As a result of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the manner in which access revenues and Universal Service Funds are determined is currently being modified by regulatory bodies. The FCC adopted an order reforming the Universal Service Fund and Intercarrier Compensation. The details of that order have been released over time and some pieces are still open to further rulemaking or review. However, we believe that there is concern our revenues from these sources will be drastically reduced during the ensuing years. The Cooperative has filed a waiver with the FCC challenging the new order and its effect on rural telephone companies. At this time, the results of this waiver are not able to be know or accounted for in the current year.

Use of Estimates -

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Cash and Cash Equivalents -

All investments that mature in three months or less are classified as cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable -

Accounts receivable are carried at their estimated collectible amounts. Trade credit is generally extended on a short-term basis, thus accounts receivable do not bear interest. Accounts receivable are periodically evaluated for collectability based on past credit history with customers. No allowance for bad debts was recorded by management as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

Materials and Supplies -

All materials and supplies are valued at the lower of cost or current market value on the specific identification basis. Materials and supplies consist primarily of fiber cable purchased for future plant construction.

Telephone Plant and Depreciation -

Telephone plant in service and under construction is capitalized at original cost. The Cooperative provided for depreciation on a straight-line basis at annual rates which will amortize the depreciable property over its estimated useful life.

At the time the plant is retired, the retirements credited to telephone plant together with removal costs less salvage are charged to the depreciation reserve unless the retirement is of an extraordinary or abnormal nature.

No gains or losses are recognized in connection with routine retirements of depreciable property. Repairs and renewals of minor items of property are included in plant specific operations expense.

Deferred Loan Costs -

Deferred loan costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the loan. Amortization of deferred loan costs is expected to be \$2,750 for each of the next five years.

Revenue Recognition -

Toll service revenues, access revenues, and local service revenues are recognized when earned, regardless of the period in which they are billed.

The Cooperative receives interstate settlements for providing access service from the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA). Interstate access settlements are based on average nation-wide settlements. Intrastate rates are set based upon interstate rates.

Maintenance -

Accounting for maintenance and repairs was in conformity with the Uniform System of Accounts prescribed by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

2. INVESTMENT IN TELEPHONE PLANT AND CABLE ASSETS:

Telephone plant in service was stated at cost. Listed below are the major classes of the telephone plant as of December 31, 2011 and 2010:

	<u> 2011</u>	2010
Land	\$ <u>9,8</u> 87	\$ 9,887
Buildings	269,699	269,699
General purpose computers	4,087	4,087
Office equipment	19,700	19,700
Network equipment	864,336	888,356
Cable	5,648,749	5,380,997
Vehicles	36,674	36,674
Other work equipment Telephone plant in	<u>51,259</u>	<u>47,854</u>
service	<u>\$6.904.391</u>	<u>\$6,657,254</u>

The Cooperative provided for depreciation on a straight-line basis at annual rates, which will amortize the depreciable property over its estimated useful life. The projected composite depreciation rate is approximately 5.3% during the first six years. Estimated useful life for the major asset classes are as follows:

Buildings	20 Years
General purpose computers	10 Years
Network equipment	10 Years
Cable	22 Years
Other work equipment	15 Years

3. LONG-TERM DEBT:

Long-term debt consists of notes payable to the United States of America through the Rural Utilities Service (RUS). The notes are collateralized by substantially all of the telephone plant. The loan allowed draws until October 2011, with a total loan amount of \$8,067,000; the interest rate on the loan is 5% per annum. As of December 31, 2011, the loan balance was \$6,667,359.

Scheduled maturities of existing RUS long-term debt for each of the next five years are as follows:

2012	\$311,862
2013	\$327,799
2014	\$344,600
2015	\$362,200
2016	\$380,700

3. LONG-TERM DEBT: (continued)

The mortgage to the United States of America, underlying the RUS notes, contains certain restrictions on the declaration or payment of cash dividends, redemption of capital stock, or investment in affiliated companies except as might be specifically authorized in writing in advance by the RUS note holders. All assets are pledged as security for the long-term debt to RUS.

At December 31, 2011, the Cooperative met the minimum times interest earned ratio (TIER) as defined in Section 5.12 of the RUS loan agreement. At December 31, 2010, the Cooperative did not meet the minimum times interest earned ratio (TIER) as defined in Section 5.12 of the RUS loan agreement.

Under the provisions of the loan contract, advances of loan funds shall be deposited in a special construction account and held in trust for the government until disbursed. The loan contract restricts disbursements to such expenditures as RUS may authorize. All payments from the trust accounts are subject to RUS approval.



Scheduled maturities of existing additional long-term debt for each of the next five years are as follows:

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4. INTEREST COST:

The Cooperative follows the policy of capitalizing interest as a component of the cost of property, plant, and equipment constructed for its own use. This allowance for funds used during construction ("AFUDC") for 2011 and 2010 amounted to \$0 and \$14,250, respectively.

5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:

During 2007, management awarded back pay for reaching certain performance targets to both current and former employees. The unpaid balance was \$60,212 and \$60,212 at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

6. OPERATING LEASES:

Circuit equipment: Total circuit equipment lease expense for 2011 and 2010 was \$36,754 and \$39,701, respectively.

Equipment: Total equipment lease expense for 2011 and 2010 was \$75,302 and \$70,185, respectively.

Building: Total building lease for 2011 and 2010 was \$49,718 and \$44,086, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments for the four succeeding years are as follows:

2012	\$140,083
2013	\$141,606
2014	\$143,175
2015	\$144.790

7. FEDERAL INCOME TAX STATUS:

This Cooperative operates as a tax-exempt corporation as defined by the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(12). One of these requirements is that the Cooperative must obtain 85% or more of their gross revenues from members. The Cooperative did not meet this requirement for December 31, 2011, and incurred a tax of \$22,000.

8. RECLASSIFICATIONS:

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2010 financial statement presentation to correspond to the current year's format. Previously reported total equity and net income are unchanged due to these reclassifications.

ARRA GRANT:

During 2010, Allband Communications Cooperative was awarded two grants as part of the USDA's Broadband Initiatives Program. The total of these grants is \$9,730,657. The funds are to be used to provide internet service to unserved areas within 3 years. As of December 31, 2011, the Cooperative has plant under construction pertaining to ARRA in the amount of \$2,290,862 and has received \$1,702,743 in grant receipts.



ALLBAND COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE AND SUBSIDIARY (A Michigan Mutual Company) CURRAN, MICHIGAN

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2011

ASSETS

Consolidated	\$ 191,750 359,947 0 203,088 2,750 4,419	761,954 36,437 0 36,437	6,904,391	9,195,253 1,330,978 7,864,275 \$ 8,662,666	۱
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	CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable - telecommunications Accounts receivable - affiliate Materials and supplies Loan origination fees - current Prepayments	Total current assets NONCURRENT ASSETS: Deferred loan costs Investment - affiliated Total noncurrent assets	PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Telecommunications plant in service Telecommunications plant under construction	Less: Accumulated depreciation Net book value Total assets	

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LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

S,080 Non-Patronage capital (deficit)
members' equity \$ 8,662,666 \$ 14,344 \$ 8,662,666

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

		Allband nmunications ooperative		Allband timedia, LLC	Elin	ninations	Co	nsolidated_
OPERATING REVENUES: Basic local network services Network access services Long distance	\$	38,532 1,607,146 32,971	\$	0	\$	0 30,686	\$	38,532 1,576,460 32,971
Internet revenue Miscellaneous Total operating revenues		2,747 1,681,396		26,519 26,305 52,824		30,686		26,519 29,052 1,703,534
OPERATING EXPENSES: Plant specific operations		185,637		87,201		30,686		242,152
Plant nonspecific operations Depreciation and amortization		141,826 369,079		67,201		30,000		141,826 369,079
Customer operations Corporate operations		20,389 415,186		1,315		20.000		21,704 415,186
Total operating expenses	_	1,132,117	_	88,516		30,686		1,189,947
GROSS OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)		549,279		(35,692)		0		513,587
OPERATING TAXES: Other operating taxes		103,976						103,976
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	_	445,303	_	(35,692)		0		409,611
NONOPERATING INCOME (DEDUCTION Interest income	SNC	S): 59						59
Interest expense - RUS Interest expense - other Income (loss) from affiliate Construction contract income		(336,917) (9,214) (35,692) 105,885				(35,692)		(336,917) (9,214) 0 105,885
Other income (expense) Federal income tax Total nonoperating income		3,917 (22,000)						3,917 (22,000)
(deductions)	_	(293,962)	_	<u> </u>		(35,692)		(258,270)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	151,341	\$	(35,692)	\$	(35,692)	\$	151,341

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

	о О	Allband Communications Cooperative	Multi.	Allband Multimedia, LLC	Eliminations		Consolidated
OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss)	↔	151,341	₩	(35,692)	\$ 35,692	; I	151,341
Advanced to the first income (1955) to net cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation Amortization Loss from investment in affiliate		366,329 2,750 35,692			(35,692)		366,329 2,750 0
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: (Increase) Decrease in: Accounts receivable Accounts affiliate Inventories Other current assets		(215,942) (20,503) 85,460 396		(4,522) 27,084	(6,581)		(220,464) 0 85,460 396
Increase (Decrease) in: Accounts payable Accounts payable - NECA Accrued income tax Accrued taxes		215,510 (27,084) 22,000 4,858		20,503	6,581		215,510 0 22,000 4,858
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES	ļ	620,807		7,373	0		628,180
INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Purchase of property, plant, and equipment Proceeds from sale of equipment		(2,325,049) 3,800			:		(2,325,049)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	↔	(2,321,249)	↔	0	0		\$ (2,321,249)

(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements)

ALLBAND COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE AND SUBSIDIARY (A Michigan Mutual Company) CURRAN, MICHIGAN

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2010

ASSETS

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	2	Communications Cooperative	Aultim	Allband Multimedia, LLC	Elin	Eliminations	S	Consolidated
CURRENT ASSETS:								!
Cash and cash equivalents	↔	129,024	υ	1,866	↔	0	⇔	130,890
Accounts receivable - telecommunications		138,900		583				139,483
Accounts receivable - affiliate		46,899		27,084		73,983		0
Materials and supplies		288,548						288,548
Loan origination fees - current		2,750						2,750
Prepayments		4,815						4,815
Total current assets		610,936		29,533		73,983		566,486
NONCURRENT ASSETS:								
Deferred loan cost		39,187						39,187
Investment - affiliated		(17,366)				(17,366)		0
Total noncurrent assets		21,821		0		(17,366)		39,187
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:								
Telecommunications plant in service		6,657,254						6,657,254
Telecommunications plant under								
construction		236,969						236,969
		6,894,223		0		0		6,894,223
Less: Accumulated depreciation		984,868						984,868
Net book value		5,909,355		0		0		5,909,355
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lotal assets	Ð	6,542,112	Ð	29,533	Ð	719'95	<u>م</u>	6,515,028

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

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₩	↔	9	597,934
' 	Elimination	Allband Multimedia, LLC	Allband ommunications Cooperative

(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

(Allband Communications Cooperative	Allband Multimedia, LLC	Eliminations	Consolidated
OPERATING REVENUES:		-		
Basic local network services	\$ 36,617	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 36,617
Network access services	1,359,789		28,324	1,331,465
Long distance	22,907			22,907
Internet revenue		28,394		28,394
Miscellaneous	3,447			3,447
Total operating revenues	1,422,760	28,394	28,324	1,422,830
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Plant specific operations	146,878	45,760	28,324	164,314
Plant nonspecific operations	72,348			72,348
Depreciation and amortization	337,106			337,106
Customer operations	7,252			7,252
Corporate operations	378,467			378,467
Total operating expenses	942,051	45,760	28,324	959,487
GROSS OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	480,709	(17,366)	0	463,343
OPERATING TAXES:				
Other operating taxes	70,249			70,249
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	410,460	(17,366)	0	393,094
NONOPERATING INCOME (DEDUCTI	ONS):			
Interest income	48			48
Interest expense - RUS	(307,391)			(307,391)
Interest expense - other	(15,029)			(15,029)
Income (loss) from affiliate	(17,366)		(17,366)	Ó
Other income (expense)	1,773			1,773
Total nonoperating income				
(deductions)	(337,965)	0	<u>(17,366)</u>	(320,599)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 72,495	\$ (17,366)	\$ (17,366)	\$ 72,495

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

	Son	Allband Communications Connerative	Multir	Allband Multimedia 11C	ΙΤ Ε	Fliminations	5	Consolidated
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	5						8	
Net income (loss)	69	72,495	₩	(17,366)	↔	17,366	↔	72,495
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss)								
to net cash provided by operating activities:								
Depreciation		334,356						334,356
Amortization		2,750						2,750
Loss from investment in affiliate		17,366				(17,366)		0
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:								
(Increase) Decrease in:								
Accounts receivable		(118,787)		(583)				(119,370)
Accounts affiliate		(46,899)		(27,084)		73,983		0
Inventories		41,549						41,549
Other current assets		2,447						2,447
Increase (Decrease) in:								
Accounts payable		(290,037)						(290,037)
Accounts payable - related party		27,084		46,899		(73,983)		0
Accounts payable - NECA		(27,035)						(27,035)
Accrued taxes		1,896						1,896
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (LISED FOR)								
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		17,185		1,866		0	ļ	19,051
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		- T-						
Purchase of property, plant, and equipment	ક	(494,165)	ક્ક	0	49	0	↔	\$ (494,165)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

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FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	Communication Cooperative	Communications Cooperative	Allband Multimedia, LLC	Eliminations	Consolidated	lidated
Increase in memberships Proceeds from borrowings on long-term debt - RUS Principal payments on long-term debt	\$	460 798,229 276,222)	0	O &	\$ 7	460 798,229 276,222)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED FOR) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		522,467	0	0	2	522,467
(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		45,487	1,866	0		47,353
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - BEGINNING		83,537				83,537
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - ENDING	€	129,024	\$ 1,866	0	\$	\$ 130,890
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES: Interest paid (\$14,250 capitalized) Income taxes paid		336,670 0	0 0	о o	ო ა ა	336,670 0

(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements)

SCHEDULE OF REVENUE SOURCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

		<u>2011</u>		<u>2010</u>
Subscriber Sources Revenues:				
Basic local telephone services	\$	38,532	\$	36,617
Subscriber line revenues		1,945		5,477
Internet revenue		26,519		28,394
Long distance		32,971		22,907
Miscellaneous		29,052		3,447
Total Subscriber Revenues		129,019		96,842
Carrier Access Billing (2010 estimated allocation):				
Interstate carrier		15,106		17,353
Intrastate carrier		45,772		32,052
Total Carrier Revenues		60,878		49,405
NECA:				
Interstate Common Line Support (ICLS)		384,245		398,622
Local Switching Support (LSS)		352,729		340,592
High Cost Loop Support (HCLS)		879,120		605,963
Other settlements/ adjustments		(102,457)		(68,594)
Total NECA revenues		1,513,637	1	,276,583
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 1	1,703,534	\$ 1	,422,830



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March 14, 2012

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

We have audited the financial statements of Allband Communications Cooperative and subsidiary as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2012. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

COMPLIANCE

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Cooperative's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters, other than as described in Note 3 of the financial statements, that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Board of Directors Allband Communications Cooperative March 14, 2012

INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

In planning and performing our 2011 audit, we considered the Cooperative's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Cooperative's internal control. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses, and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies or material weaknesses have been identified. In addition, because of inherent limitations in internal control, including the possibility of management override of controls, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected by management. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses and other deficiencies that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We believe the following deficiencies to be significant deficiencies which constitute material weaknesses:

- <u>Comment</u>: While the Cooperative has obtained an awareness of the implication of fraud in their business, they have yet to develop a formal antifraud program with stated control processes.
- Management's Response: The Cooperative has given consideration to this matter and currently believes this is adequately addressed through strong management oversight in light of the relatively small size of the Cooperative.

This report is intended for the information of the board of directors, management, the Rural Utilities Service, and supplemental lenders. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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March 14, 2012

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' COMMUNICATION OF SIGNIFICANT MATTERS TO THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE

We have audited the financial statements of Allband Communications Cooperative for the year ended December 31, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2012. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and 7 CFR Part 1773, Policy on Audits of Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Borrowers. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Allband Communications Cooperative for the year ended December 31, 2011, we considered its internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting.

A description of the responsibility of management for establishing and maintaining the internal control over financial reporting and the objectives of and inherent limitations in such control is set forth in our independent auditors' report on compliance and on the internal control over financial reporting dated March 14, 2012, and should be read in conjunction with this report.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

7 CFR Part 1773.33 requires comments on specific aspects of the internal control over financial reporting, compliance with specific RUS loan and security instrument provisions, and other additional matters. We have grouped our comments accordingly. In addition to obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatements, at your request, we performed tests of specific aspects of the internal control over financial reporting, of compliance with specific RUS loan and security instrument provisions, and of additional matters. The specific aspects of the internal control over financial reporting, compliance with specific RUS loan and security instrument provisional matters tested include, among other things, the accounting procedures and records, materials control, compliance with specific RUS loan and security instrument provisions set forth in 7 CFR Part 1773.33(e)(2), and related party transactions. In addition, our audit of the financial statements also included the procedures specified in 7 CFR Part 1773.38-.45. Our objective was not to provide an opinion on these specific aspects of the internal control over financial reporting, compliance with specific RUS loan and security instrument provisions, or additional matters, and accordingly, we express no opinion thereon.

No reports (other than our independent auditors' report, and our independent auditors' report on compliance and on internal control over financial reporting, all dated March 14, 2012), or summary of recommendations related to our audit have been furnished to management.

Our comments on specific aspects of the internal control over financial reporting, compliance with specific RUS loan and security instrument provisions, and other additional matters as required by 7 CFR Part 1773.33 are presented below.

COMMENTS ON CERTAIN SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

We noted no matters regarding Allband Communications Cooperative's internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be a material weakness as previously defined with respect to:

- the accounting procedures and records,
- the process for accumulating and recording labor, material, and overhead costs, and the distribution of these costs to construction, retirement, and maintenance, or other expense accounts,
- the materials control.

COMMENTS ON COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFIC RUS LOAN AND SECURITY INSTRUMENT PROVISIONS

Management's responsibility for compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants is set forth in our independent auditors' report on compliance and on internal control over financial reporting dated March 14, 2012, and should be read in conjunction with this report. At your request, we have performed the procedures enumerated below with respect to compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. The procedures we performed are summarized as follows:

- Procedures performed with respect to the requirement to maintain all funds in institutions whose accounts are insured by an agency of the federal government:
 - 1. Obtained information from financial institutions with which Allband Communications Cooperative maintains funds that indicated that the institutions are insured by an agency of the federal government.

- Procedures performed with respect to the requirement for a borrower to obtain written approval of the mortgagee to enter into any contract for the operation or maintenance of property, or for the use of mortgaged property by others, or for services pertaining to toll traffic, operator assistance, or switching for the year ended December 31, 2011, of Allband Communications Cooperative:
 - 1. Borrower did not have a schedule as they did not enter into any new written contracts during the year for the operation or maintenance of its property, or for the use of its property by others, or for services pertaining to toll traffic, operator assistance, or switching as defined in § 1773.33(e)(2)(i).
 - Reviewed board of director minutes to ascertain whether any new contracts were approved during the year.
- Procedure performed with respect to the requirement to submit RUS Form 479 to the RUS:
 - 1. Agreed amounts reported in Form 479 for Allband Communications Cooperative to Allband Communications Cooperative's records.
- Procedure performed with respect to funded reserve and net plant to secured debt ratio requirements:
 - 1. This provision does not apply to this borrower.

The results of our tests indicate that, with respect to the items tested, Allband Communications Cooperative complied, except as noted below, in all material respects, with the specific RUS loan and security instrument provisions referred to below. The specific provisions tested, as well as any exceptions noted, include the requirements that:

- the borrower maintains all funds in institutions whose accounts are insured by an agency of the federal government.

- the borrower has obtained written approval of the RUS to enter into any contract for the operation or maintenance of property, or for the use of mortgaged property by others, or for services pertaining to toll traffic, operator assistance, or switching as defined in § 1773.33 (e)(2)(i); and
- the borrower has submitted its Form 479 to the RUS, and the Form 479, Financial and Statistical Report, as of December 31, 2011, represented by the borrower as having been submitted to RUS is in agreement with Allband Communications Cooperative's audited records in all material respects.

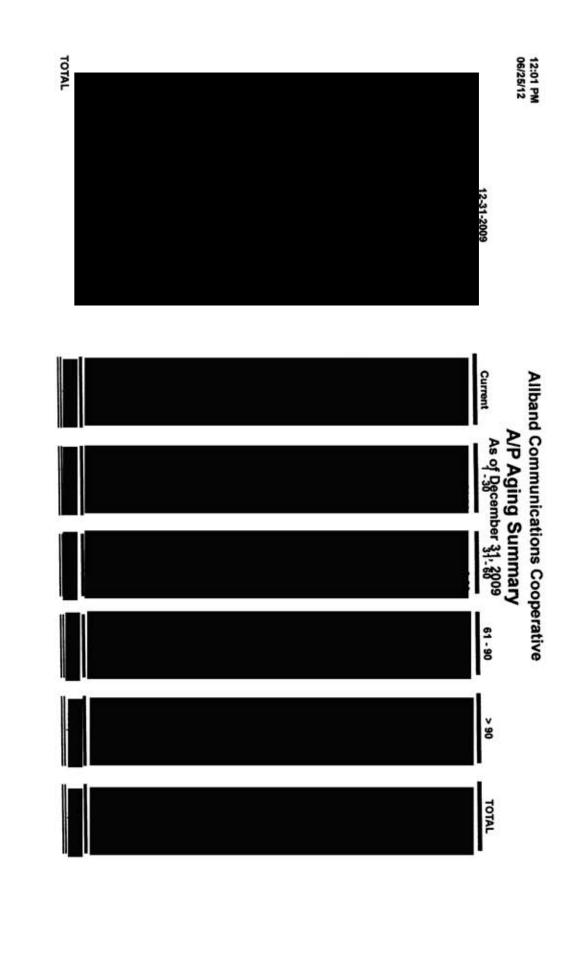
COMMENTS ON OTHER ADDITIONAL MATTERS

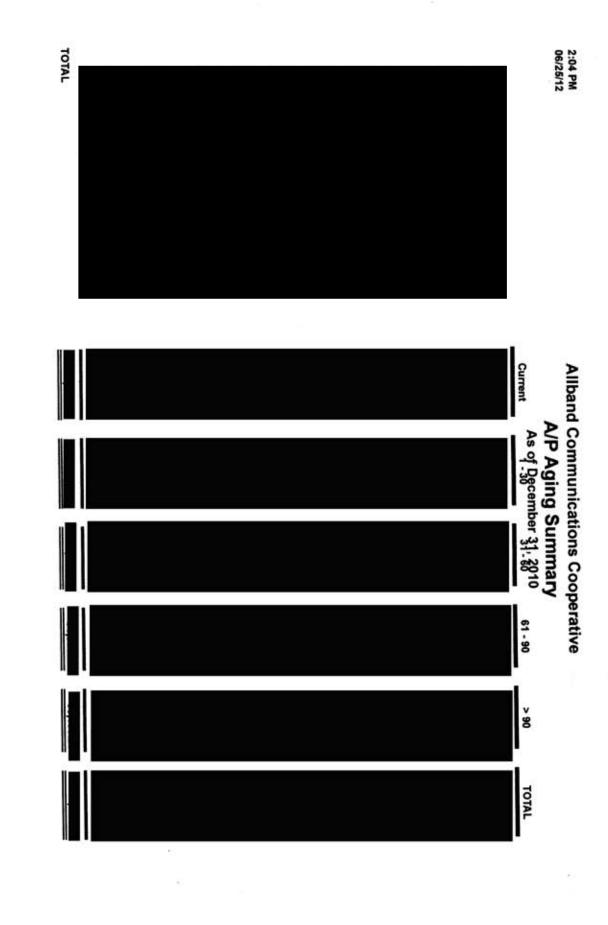
In connection with our audit of the financial statements of Allband Communications Cooperative, nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that Allband Communications Cooperative failed to comply with respect to:

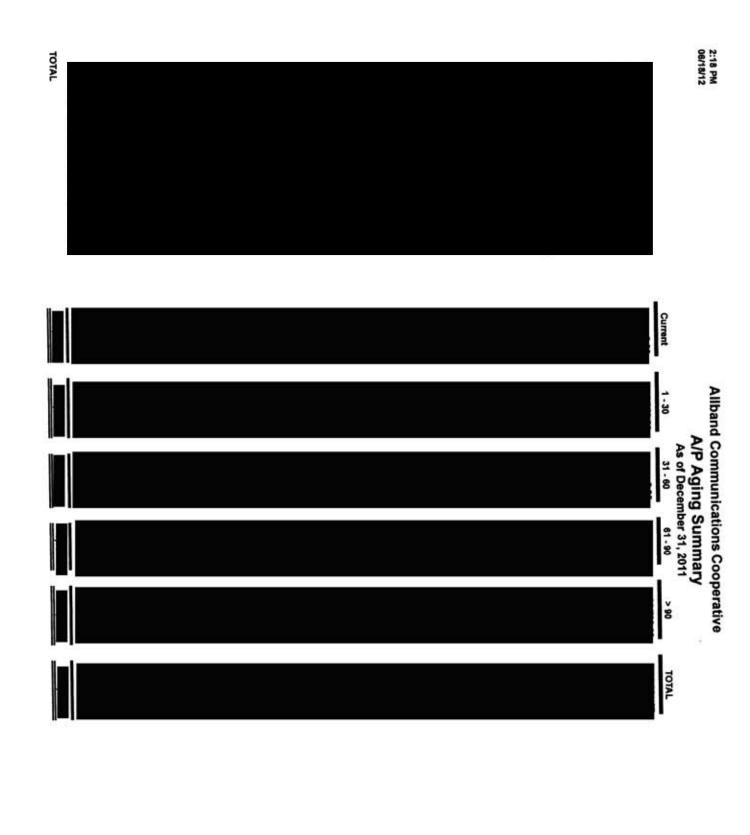
- the reconciliation of subsidiary plant records to the controlling general ledger plant accounts addressed at 7 CFR 1773.33 (c)(1);
- the clearing of the construction accounts and the accrual of depreciation on completed construction addressed at 7 CFR 1773.33(c)(2);
- the retirement of plant addressed at 7 CFR 1773.33(c)(3) and (4);
- sales of plant material or scrap addressed at 7 CFR 1773.33(c)(5);
- the disclosure of material related party transactions, in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 57, Related Party Transactions, for the year ended December 31, 2011, in the financial statements referenced in the first paragraph of this report addressed at 7 CFR 1773.33(f).

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the board of directors, management, and the RUS, and supplemental lenders. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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Installment Promissory Note

Amount \$ Date: December 31, 2007
FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, Allband_Communications Cooperative (Borrower), maintaining an address at PO Box 8, Curran, MI 48728 (Borrower's Address) promises to pay to the order of principal sum of per year thereon from the date herein.
The accrued interest shall be paid in monthly installments of Section , with the first payment beginning on January 31, 2008 and continuing every month thereafter with a like amount on the same date each month. The full amount of this note and all accrued interest is due December 31, 2010.
All or any part of the Principal may be prepaid at any time and from time to time without penalty. Payments shall be applied first to accrued interest and the balance to the Principal.
In the event of any default by the Borrower in the payment of Principal or interest after demand is made, the unpaid balance of the Principal of this promissory note shall, at the option of the holder, become immediately due and payable. Any amount due at the time of default shall accrue interest until payment at the rate of per year or the highest rate permitted by law, whichever is less.
Upon default in making payment within 7 days of demand, Borrower agrees to pay all reasonable legal fees and costs of collection to the extent permitted by law.
Borrower and all other persons who may become liable for the payment hereof severally waive demand, presentment, protest, notice of dishonor or nonpayment, notice of protest, and any and all lack of diligence or delays in collection, which may occur.
All payments hereunder shall be made to such address as may from time to time be designated by any holder and must be made in United States funds.
Borrower and all other parties to this note, whether as endorsers, guarantors or sureties, agree to remain fully bound until this note shall be paid in full and waive demand, presentment and protest and all notices hereto. Borrower further agrees to remain bound by this note notwithstanding any extension, modification, waiver, or other indulgence, failure, discharge or release of any obligation hereunder.
The holder's failure to exercise any right or option hereunder does not constitute a waiver of any future right or option.

No modification to this document or indulgence by any holder hereof shall be binding unless in writing.

If any provision of this Note is deemed unenforceable, in whole or in part, for any reason, the remaining provisions shall still remain in full force and effect.

This note shall take effect as a sealed instrument and is made and executed under, and is in all respects governed by, the laws of: Michigan (State).

Jim Baardaer, Treasurer Allband Communications Cooperative

Installment Promissory Note Amendment

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, Allband Communications Cooperative (Borrower), maintaining an address at PO Bo	ox 8.
Curran, MI 49728 (Borrowers Address) promises to pay to the order	
, the below added amounts to the principle sum of	
(Principal), together with interest of	
Amounts Added to Original Loan:	

Ron Siegel, General Manager

Allband Communications Cooperative

Rux. Sh 12/11/2009

AMENDMENT TO INSTALLMENT PROMISSORY NOTE FOR \$50,000

THIRD AMENDMENT TO PROMISSORY NOTE

	THIS THIRD AMENDMENT (the "Amendment") is made this 16 th day of JUNE 2010, for a promissory note totaling signed on December 31, 2007 by and between, the undersigned, Allband Communications Cooperative (Borrower), maintaining an address at 7251 Cemetery Rd. Curran, MI 48728 (Borrower's
	Address) and (Lender's Address).
	WITNESSETH:
	WHEREAS, the Lender and the Borrower have agreed to make certain modifications to the Note:
	The accrued interest and principal shall be paid in monthly installments of with the first payment due on September 1, 2009 and continuing every month thereafter with a like amount on the same date each month.
	The full amount of this note; additions to the principle sum totaling as stated in Amendment #2; and all accrued interest is due on December 14, 2017.
<	Ron K. Siegel Jr., General Manager Allband Communications Cooperative (Borrower)

Installment Promissory Note

Date: August 14, 2009

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, Allband Communications Cooperative (Borrower), mainta Curran, MI 49728 (Borrowers Address) promises to pay to the order of	ining an address at PO Box 8,
interest of per year thereon from the date herein.	(Principal), together with
The accrued interest shall be paid in monthly installments of with the first payment begin continuing every month thereafter with a like amount on the same date each month. The full amounterest is due on August 14, 2011.	ning on September 14, 2009 and bunt of this note and all accrued
All or any part of the Principle may be prepaid at any time and from time to time without penalty. accrued interest and the balance to the Principle.	Payments shall be applied first to
In the event of any default by the Borrower in the payment of Principle or interest after demand is Principle of this promissory note shall, at the option of the holder, become immediately due and patime of default shall accrue interest until payment at the rate of per year of law, whichever is less.	made, the unpaid balance of the ayable. Any amount due at the or the highest rate permitted by
Upon default in making payment within 7 days of demand, Borrower agrees to pay all reasonable letthe extent permitted by law.	gal fees and costs of collection to
Borrower and all other persons who may become liable for the payment hereof severally waive den notice of dishonor or nonpayment, notice of protest, and any and all lack of diligence or delay in col	nand, presentment, protest, lection, which may occur.

All payments hereunder shall be made to such address as may from time to time be designated by any holder and must be made in Untied States funds.

Borrower and all other parties to this note whether as endorsers, guarantors or sureties, agree to remain fully bound until this note is paid in full and waive demand, presentment and protest and all notices hereto. Borrower further agrees to remain bound by this note notwithstanding any extension, modification, waiver, or other indulgence, failure, discharge or release of any obligation hereunder.

The holder's failure to exercise any right or option hereunder does not constitute a waiver of any future right or option.

No modification to this document or indulgence by any holder hereof shall be binding unless in writing.

If any provision of this Note is deemed unenforceable, in whole or in part, for any reason, the remaining provisions shall still remain in full force and effect.

This note shall take effect as a sealed instrument and is made and executed under, and is in all respects governed by the laws of Michigan (State).

Ron Siegel, General Manager

Allband Communications Cooperative

Installment Promissory Note Amendment

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, Allband Communications Cooperative (Borrower), maintaining an address at PO Box 8,
Curran, MI 49728 (Borrowers Address) promises to pay to the order of John Reigle (Lender), whose address is PO Box 64, Curran, MI
48728 (Lender's Address), the below added amounts to the principle sum of
(Principal), together with interest of per year thereon from the date herein.
Amounts Added to Original Loan:

Ron Siegel, General Manager

Allband Communications Cooperative

Rux. Sh 12/11/2009

AMENDMENT TO INSTALLMENT PROMISSORY NOTE OF \$25,000

THIRD AMENDMENT TO PROMISSORY NOTE

	THIS THIRD AMENDMENT (the "Amendment") is made this 16 th day of JUNE 2010, for a promissory note totaling signed on August 14, 2009 by and between, the undersigned, Allband Communications Cooperative (Borrower), maintaining an address at 7251 Cemetery Rd. Curran, MI 48728 (Borrower's Address) and
	WITNESSETH:
	WHEREAS, the Lender and the Borrower have agreed to make certain modifications to the Note:
	The accrued interest and principal shall be paid in monthly installments of \$\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
	The full amount of this note; additions to the principle sum totaling and as stated in Amendment #2; and all accrued interest is due on December 1, 2011.
<	Ron K. Siegel Jr., General Manager Allband Communications Cooperative (Borrower)



U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SYSTEM DESIGNATION

Michigan 570

Allband

REGISTER NO. 1113 ADVANCE APPROVED

REQUISITION ADJUSTMENT REPORT

TO: Allband Telecommuncations Cooperative

P.O. Box 246

Hillman, MI 49746

WE	ARE EN	CLOSIN	G FORM	481,	FINANCIAL	REQUIREMEN	T STATEMENT.	NO.	16 .	CUMULATIVE	NEW DISBURE	SEMENTS
REF	ORTED	IN COL	UMN 5 O	F FO	RM 481 ARF	SUBJECT TO F	INAL REVIEW	AND	APPROVA	L OF AN REA F	TELD ACCOUNT	TANT.

TRANSACTIONS NOT APPROVED AS REQUESTED ARE EXPLAINED BELOW:

ITEM	EXPLANATION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	DIFFERENCE
	Funds are approved for advance as shown in Column 5.			
3.b.	The items marked with asterisk have been transferred to Closed Budget - Audited in accordance with the field accountant Loan Fund Audit as of April 30, 2009.	(e 590		
.d.	Post Loan Eng. Contract A-12E Advanced requested increased to total approved for advanced.			32
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CHIEF, NORTHERN DIVISION ENGINEERING BRANCH

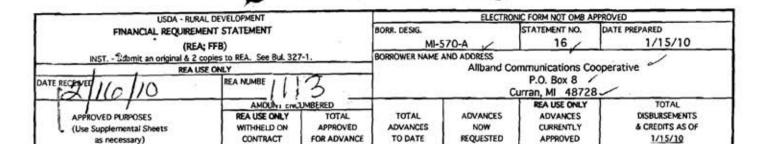
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CERTIFICATION

On behalf of the designated borrower, I request that the amount set forth as "Advances Now Requested" (Item 12, Col. 4 above) be advanced under the loan contract "Loan contract" includes in addition to the REA and RTB loan contracts, the Federal Financing Bank - REA Loan Commitment Agreement, and the related Commitment Notice and correspondence concerning loan terms and conditions. I certify that the amount so requested is for a purpose or purposes for which funds have either been approved for advance or for which approval is requested herewith; that the amount advance will be deposited in the Trustee, REA Construction Fund account of the

bank, which is a member of the FDIC; that loan and other funds required to be deposited in such bank account will be disbursed only for the purposes and not to exceed the amounts approved for each purpose in Column (2) "Total Approved For Advance" of the Financial Requirement Statements; that the cash balance shown hereon is the balance of the Construction Fund-Trustee account of the general Ledger as of 1/15/10 ; and that the disbursements reported in Column (6) were made in the amounts

stated for each purpose; all in accordance with the provisions of the loan contract.

SIGNATURE (ORIGINAL MUST APPEAR ON EACH PAGE)

TITLE (Authorized Corporate Officer or Manager)

GENERAL MANAGER

REA FORM 481 (Computer Generated Copy)

Send 2 original signed copies to USDA-RDUP-Telecommunications

ALLBAND COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE STATEMENT OF PROJECTED REVENUE AND EXPENSES For the 12 months ended December 31, 2012 and 2013

	2012	2013
OPERATING REVENUES: Service Revenue Other Revenue	\$	\$
Total Operating Revenue	\$	\$
OPERATING EXPENSES: Access Expense Customer Operations Customer Services Expense General & Administration Expense	\$	\$
Total Operating Expenese	\$	\$
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	\$	\$

For Management Purposes Only